

Factors and fractions  
WORKSHEET#9

1. ?

Choose two of the mixed numbers below and subtract them together. Do this 5 times. The mixed numbers can be used more than once, but not in the same pair.

$5\frac{1}{3}$	$2\frac{5}{7}$	$11\frac{1}{12}$	$3\frac{1}{8}$	$9\frac{11}{15}$
	$3\frac{1}{3}$	$2\frac{5}{24}$	$2\frac{7}{18}$	$1\frac{9}{32}$
$3\frac{2}{9}$	$4\frac{3}{5}$	$1\frac{6}{25}$	$4\frac{3}{14}$	$5\frac{2}{6}$

2. ?

Which combinations of mixed numbers in Question 1 did you find easiest to subtract. Explain why.

3. ?

Choose three of the mixed numbers below and subtract them. Do this 4 times. The mixed numbers can be used more than once.

$7\frac{5}{9}$	$2\frac{5}{8}$	$1\frac{3}{51}$	$5\frac{5}{16}$
$6\frac{1}{6}$	$1\frac{2}{17}$	$5\frac{3}{22}$	

2. It is easier to subtract two fractions whose denominators are not relatively prime numbers and those fractions which no need to change.

E.g.  $2\frac{5}{8}$  and  $5\frac{5}{16}$

**ANSWERS** 

- 1.
- 2.